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FOR: SOLUBILIZING EXCEPIENTS IN POWDER FORM FOR SOLID PHAR-
MACEUTICAL PREPARATIONS

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Sir:

In reply to the Office action of January 17, 2003, it is respectfully requested that the following amendment and remarks be entered and considered in the above-identified application:

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IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly amend Claims 1 to 8, cancel Claim 9, and enter new Claims 10 to 13 as indicated in the Listing of Claims attached to this paper as Appendix I. A clean copy of the claims as herewith amended is found in the attached Appendix II.